

# GRACE



## GRACE ORTHODOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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# The Lord's Day Worship

December 8, 2013

Pianist

*Miss Carrie Thibault*

Announcements and Welcome

*Elder David Thibault*

## Called by God

\* Silent Preparation for Worship

\* Call to Worship

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

(Matthew 28:19b)

**Amen.**

Grace, mercy, and peace to you from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. (cf. I Timothy 1:2)

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you. Amen!** (cf. Ruth 2:4)

Let us worship God.

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!" (Isaiah 6:3 ESV)

**"Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!"** (Revelation 4:8 ESV)

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord. Amen.**

\* # 100 "Holy, Holy, Holy!"

\* Invocation and the Lord's Prayer

\* # 731 "Doxology"

## Cleansed by God

God's Law-Word for His People: Exodus 20:1-17 & Matthew 22:37-40

**And God spoke all these words, saying, "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.**

**"You shall have no other gods before me.**

**"You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and**

**the fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.**

**“You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.**

**“Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.**

**“Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.**

**“You shall not murder.**

**“You shall not commit adultery.**

**“You shall not steal.**

**“You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.**

**“You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor’s.”**

**Hear also the words of our Lord Jesus: “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.”**

Consider the words of the apostle as we approach the Lord with silent prayers of confession and repentance. “If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” (1 John 1:9)

*Silent prayers of confession and repentance*

Assurance of Forgiveness for God’s People – Ephesians 1:7-12

Receive the good news of the gospel: in Jesus Christ you are forgiven!

**Thanks be to God. Amen!**

Ephesians 5:1-2

\* #599 “Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us”

## Consecrated by God

The Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 40:1-11

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

The Epistle Lesson: Hebrews 13:20-21

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

\* The Gospel Lesson: John 10:11-18

This is the gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to you, O Christ!**

The Exhortation Text: Luke 2:8-20

Exhortation: “Lessons from the Flock Watchers” *Elder David Thibault*

Prayer of Application

\* # 215 “While by the Sheep We Watched at Night”

## Communion with God

The Prayers of God’s People

\* # 211 “God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen”

\* Confessing the Faith Together

The Apostles’ Creed – Front inside cover of the hymnal



### Invitation to the Lord’s Supper

You are cordially invited to participate in the Lord’s Supper if you are a believer in Christ, have been baptized, are a communicant member in a Bible-believing church, and regularly attend church worship. We use wine in our celebration of the Lord’s Supper.

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

*Reverend Rollin Keller*

Distribution of Bread # 214 “Angels We Have Heard on High”

Distribution of Wine # 208 “O Come, All Ye Faithful”

## Commissioned by God

\* # 192 “I Am Jesus’ Little Lamb”

\* Benediction

### Our Tithes and Offerings to God

An integral part of our worship is to bring God a token of our increase. Your tithes and offerings may be placed in the small box at the back of the room. As we will give thanks to God for His gifts *during* the service, we encourage you to make your offering *before* the service.



## *Exhortation Outline*

I. The Shepherds Were H\_\_\_\_\_ - Consider Also

M\_\_\_\_\_, D\_\_\_\_\_, J\_\_\_\_\_,

M\_\_\_\_\_, A\_\_\_\_\_, S\_\_\_\_\_

II. The Shepherds Were B\_\_\_\_\_

A. With God's M\_\_\_\_\_ (v. 10)

B. With God's J\_\_\_\_\_ (v. 10)

C. With God's P\_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 11-12)

D. With God's P\_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 13-14)

III. The Shepherds Were W\_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 15-16, 20)

IV. The Shepherds Were W\_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 17-19)

V. The Shepherds Saw the Great Shepherd

A. He Has Gone From H\_\_\_\_\_ to

E\_\_\_\_\_ (Philippians 2:6-11)

B. His S\_\_\_\_\_ Are Still H\_\_\_\_\_

and B\_\_\_\_\_

C. His S\_\_\_\_\_ Are Still W\_\_\_\_\_ and

W\_\_\_\_\_

<i>Refreshments</i>	Today	Patty Yamazaki
	December 15	Susan Wood
	December 22	Tuggy Family
	December 29	Thibault Family
	<i>Lord's Supper</i>	<i>Usher</i>
December	Lorien Tuggy	Glen & Vicki Tuggy
January	Icela Szeneri	Jan Szeneri



### Today

- 11:00 am Fellowship break
- 11:30 am Sunday School for adults
- 11:30 am Children's Christmas Program Practice
- 5:30 pm Praise, Prayer, and Study

### This Week

- Thursday 7:30 pm Prayer Meeting at the Szeneris' Home
- Saturday Outing to Operation Christmas Child 2 pm – 8 pm

### Next Sunday (December 15)

- 9:30 am Reverend Chuck Mc Ilhenny will fill the pulpit and teach Adult Sunday School
- 11:30 am Children's Christmas Program Practice
- 5:30 pm Children's Christmas Program

### Upcoming

- December 19 Prayer Meeting at the Tuggys' Home
- December 21 Women's Christmas Party at Judith's Home - 4:30 pm
- December 22 Caroling at Royale (Granny's Home) – 4:00 pm followed by Faith Family at the Andruss' Home
- January 5 Service at Royale (2:00 pm)
- January 20 Outreach Car-Wash
- January 25 Women's Meeting
- January 28 Outreach Committee Meeting
- February 2 Annual Congregational Meeting
- February 14-17 Senior High/Collegian Winter Camp
- February 21-23 Junior High Winter Camp (6<sup>th</sup> grade – 9<sup>th</sup> grade)



**Happy Birthday**  
Paul Hines  
(December 14)



**Happy Anniversary**  
Glen & Vicki Tuggy  
(December 6)

